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IN THE ART ROOM

MNTMS Visual Arts Class Newsletter



NEW YEAR MEANS NEW GOALS

Hello and welcome to the first edition of the MNTMS Visual Arts Newsletter!

It is my goal to send out a newsletter once a month detailing what has been going on in class as well as upcoming events.

My hope is that this will keep all parents and guardians better informed and involved in the visual arts classes and events!

All newsletters will be archived on the MNTMS Visual Arts website: <https://mntmsart.weebly.com/>

The website is also a great resource for more information, including the scholar handbook.

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Current & Upcoming Events:

- Art 1 is working on artwork based on the theme "Going the Distance"
- MS 1 and 2 are working on Illuminated letter designs to eventually add to their portfolio covers
- Free Museum Day- September 22
- Lion's Fest- Oct. 5th
- 1st Art club Interest Meeting
- Meeting for EF Tour to Italy September 19th 5:30 pm

#MARIGOLDSFORELPASO



On August 3rd, 2019, the El Paso, Texas community suffered a tragedy that took the lives of 22 people and left 24 more injured. We have chosen to support the people of El Paso by creating artworks of love and hope, more specifically Marigolds. The Marigold flower, or also known as Cempazuchitl, in Latin cultures is a traditional flower known for its scent and color, used to lay down upon graves or around ofrendas; especially during Día de Muertos/Day of the Dead. The belief is that the flower helps guide spirits on their way back home to celebrate with their loved ones on the Día de Muertos. The plan is to send our Marigold artworks to El Paso ISD to fill their schools or community with Marigold artworks from all over Texas to help honor their loved one. If you and your family would like to contribute, please have all Marigold artwork turned into to me by Friday morning ,September 9, 2019



NEW CLASSROOM PROGRAM: CLASSCRAFT

This year I have started using a program called Classcraft. You should have received an email that allows parents and guardians connect with the program. It is a great program that "gamifys" the classroom. I have already seen more engagement in class and the following expectations.

"Classcraft makes school more meaningful for students by creating playful and collaborative learning experiences that teach the whole child. By leveraging technology, games, and storytelling — things kids love and resonate with — Classcraft helps your child's teacher create a learning environment that is culturally relevant to today's youth."

"By using Classcraft, students learn how to better work together and accomplish more in class while having fun. The emphasis on collaboration within the game rules helps foster non-cognitive, social emotional skills such as empathy, leadership, and communication. These skills are critical in today's job market but are rarely taught in traditional curriculum."



WANT TO TRAVEL TO ITALY???

I hope you can join me to learn more about the student tour I'm leading with EF Educational Tours. Here's what we'll cover during the meeting:

- Where and when we're going
- What we'll see and do
- Travel logistics

Flexible payment options that keep the tour affordable

I'll also share details about how to sign up (space is limited!) and answer any questions you might have.

We went to Spain this past year and had an amazing time!

Please RSVP for the meeting: <https://rsvp.eftours.com/kpv4k9d>

Can't wait to see you there!